

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
HIALEAH, FLORIDA, STRONGLY  
URGING THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE  
COMMISSION TO DENY A 16% TO 19%  
INCREASE IN ELECTRICITY RATES  
PROPOSED BY FLORIDA POWER &  
LIGHT.

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah strongly urge the Florida Public Service Commission to deny a 16% to 19% increase in electricity rates proposed by Florida Power & Light (FPL); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2008, the Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners adopted Resolution R-712-08, urging the Florida Public Service Commission to deny FPL's proposed rate increase; and

**WHEREAS**, FPL recently announced that on July 1, 2008, it would ask the Florida Public Service Commission to approve a fuel adjustment that will result in a 16% rate increase for residential electricity and a 19% increase for electricity for non-residential customers starting in August and continuing through the end of calendar year 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, FPL is requesting these increases due to a 32% increase in the past year in the price of natural gas and a 54% increase in the cost of fuel oil; and

**WHEREAS**, during these difficult economic times, a 16% to 19% increase in electricity rates will present significant challenges for individuals, small businesses, schools, and local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, all of Florida has felt the sting of skyrocketing gas prices, increased unemployment, sharp declines in property values, and school and local government budget cuts; and

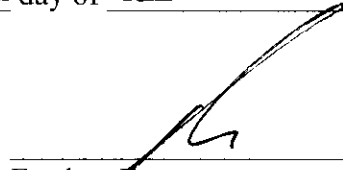
**WHEREAS**, a 16% to 19% increase in electricity rates will further exacerbate the current economic downturn and could necessitate greater budget cuts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:


**Section 1.** The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble of this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

**Section 2.** The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Hialeah, Florida strongly urge the Florida Public Service Commission to deny a 16% to 19% increase in electricity rates proposed by FPL.

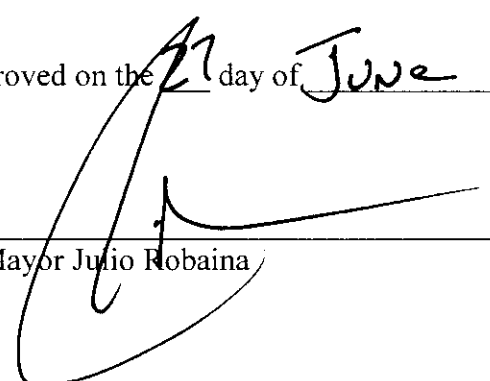
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of June, 2008.

  
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Esteban Bovo  
Council President

Attest:

  
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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Approved on the 27 day of June, 2008.

  
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Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

  
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William M. Grodnick, City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers Bovo, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".